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STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION The State Library Commission held its second meeting of the year in Helena on Friday, March 3. All members of the Commission were present, as was James Nybo, vice-chairman of the State Library Advisory Council. The Commission approved revised by-laws and policy statements governing operation of the State Library and administration of grant programs. Applications for grants were received from the Sagebrush Federation of Libraries, to support a one-year demonstration of service in Treasure County; and from the Pathfinder Federation of Libraries, to strengthen the capacity of the federation's libraries to meet increasing needs for service. The Commission at its December 10 meeting had previously agreed to support a demonstration of federation services in Northeast Montana, subject to the availability of funds. Action on these applications was not taken, pending appropriation of funds by the Congress. The budget request now before Congress will yield Montana some $55,803 less in LSCA Title I funds next year than it has this year, unless a larger appropriation is made.

The Commission's next regular meeting will be in Helena on Friday, July 7. Written applications for grants under Titles I, II, and III of the Library Services and Construction Act must be received by the State Librarian three weeks in advance of that meeting date.

The Commission approved the following appointments to the State Library Advisory Council:

Bert Corcoran, Superintendent, Rocky Boy School, for a two-year term, to succeed himself
Mrs. Inez Herrig, Coordinator, Northwest Montana Federation of Libraries, for a two-year term, to succeed herself
James Nybo, Economist, Water Resources Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, for a two-year term, to succeed himself
Mrs. Virginia Schulte, Librarian, Circle High School, for a two-year term, to succeed herself
Mrs. Felma Herseim, Principal, Boulder River School, for a two-year term
Mrs. Frances Wells, President-Elect, Montana Library Association, for a one-year term.

Continuing members of the Council are:

Larry Bowler, Manager, KCGM Radio, Scobey
Brother John Federowicz, Librarian, Carroll College, Helena (Chairman)
Budd Gould, Missoula
Mrs. Martha Hassell, Librarian, Veterans' Administration Center, Fort Harrison
Mrs. Norma K. Isern, Librarian, Carnegie Public Library, Lewistown
Dale Madson, Colburn School Supply Company, Billings
James O'Dell, Principal, Whittier School, Butte

LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT A draft of a long-range plan for library development, required by the amended Library Services and Construction Act, has been prepared and distributed to members of the State Library Advisory Council, the Library Development Committee of the Montana Library Association, and other groups for review. Copies are available from the State Library; comments and suggestions are requested not later than May 15, 1972, so that the final version of the plan may be prepared for submission to the Office of Education.

STATE LIBRARY STAFF APPOINTMENTS — Miss Susan Book joined the staff of the State Library on April 10, replacing Mrs. Mary Kay McCarvel as Librarian in Acquisitions-Reference. Miss Peggy Brogan joined the staff on March 29, succeeding Mrs. Joan Crum, as periodicals assistant in the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

INSTITUTIONS LIBRARY WORKSHOP — The State Library sponsored a one-day workshop for librarians and representatives of the state institutions, in Deer Lodge, on March 21. Miss Margaret C. Hannigan, Coordinator of Specialized State Library Services, Office of Education, was guest consultant. Twenty-five persons attended, representing the twelve state institutions, contracting public libraries, and state library staff members. The workshop was held at the William K. Kohrs Memorial Library, in Deer Lodge; included in the schedule was a tour of the State Prison Library.

MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION — Information on the MLA-Montana Instructional Media Association Conference, to be held in Helena May 11-13, has been mailed to members of these associations. Other readers of this newsletter wishing information on the conference, and pre-registration forms, may request them from Wes Burnett, Co-Chairman, Local Arrangements for the Conference, at the State Library.

PEOPLE — Mrs. Jerry Prokop has been named to replace the late Mrs. Herman Bishop as Librarian at the Three Forks Community Library.

Miss Anne Goetz has been named Children's Librarian at the Great Falls Public Library, succeeding Mrs. Elizabeth Love. Miss Goetz, a native of Wausau, Wisconsin, is a recent graduate of the University of Hawaii Library School.

Mrs. Nora Asano joined the staff of the Montana State University Library as a Reference Librarian on April 1, 1972. Mrs. Asano has been a librarian at the Institute of Governmental Studies, University of California, Berkeley.

Mrs. Helen Ewing will retire on June 30 from the MSU Library staff. Mrs. Ewing is a former member of the State Library Commission and has been active in state library affairs, serving on numerous committees of the Montana Library Association as well as filling the offices of secretary and president.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST BIBLIOGRAPHIC CENTER — The Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center held its first meeting of the year in Seattle on Friday, March 10. Board members were informed that during the eight months ending February 28, 19,035 requests had been received at the Center, comparing with 21,143 received for the twelve months ending June 1971. Of the 3,122 requests received in February alone, 11.28 percent came from libraries in Montana; this contrasts with Montana's 9.6 percent of the population of the region. All Montana libraries are entitled to request service from PNBC. Academic and special libraries may send their requests directly to the Center or through the State Library; other requests should be channeled through the State Library. Information on PNBC may be requested from the State Library.

ACQUISITIONS LIST — One printer moved faster than the other at the time the last issue of this Newsletter was distributed; with the March issue we mailed both the sixth and seventh acquisitions lists. No list is included with the April Newsletter.

FILM CATALOG — A copy of the film catalog of the Montana State Department of Health and Environmental Sciences is included with this newsletter for all academic, special, and public libraries in Montana. Instructions for use of the catalog, borrowing films, etc., are included in the catalog.

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The black moccasin, life on the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, by John Tatsey. Selections from the Glacier Reporter columns of tribal policeman John Tatsey. Curtis Art Gallery, Spokane, Washington, 1971; available from Montana Historical Society, Helena. $3.50 (paperback) and $10.00 (limited signed edition).

Overland days to Montana in 1865, the diary of Sarah Raymond and journal of Dr. Waid Howard, edited by Raymond W. and Mary Lund Settle. American Trails Series, VIII. The Arthur H. Clark Company, Box 230, Glendale, California 91209, 1971, $10.50.

A century of Montana journalism, edited by Warren J. Brier and Nathan B. Blumberg. Anthology of articles which appeared in the Montana Journalism Review between 1958 and 1971. Missoula, Mountain Press, 1971, $7.50.

The State Library has arranged with Mrs. Marie MacDonald, Librarian of the Glendive Public Library, for preparation of a new bibliography of Montana materials in print, to replace the 1966 publication Montana as It Is and Was, now out of print. Publication and distribution of the new bibliography is scheduled for summer 1972.

LIBRARY TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Mrs. Helen Dresen, Assistant Professor, Education, at Montana State University, Bozeman, has announced that Mrs. Louanne Newson will return to MSU this summer to teach in the first half of the summer session; she will teach Children's Literature and Issues in Librarianship. Mrs. Elizabeth Love, formerly Children's Librarian at the Great Falls Public Library, will teach storytelling during the second summer session at MSU. Further information should be requested from Mrs. Dresen.

The Graduate School of Librarianship at the University of Denver has announced a two-week summer institute (June 12-23) on library systems analysis and design; and three one-week public library clinics (July 17-21, July 24-28, and July 31-August 4). Applications must be received for the institute and clinics by May 1, 1972. Information and application forms should be requested promptly from the Graduate School of Librarianship, University of Denver, Denver 80210.

A six-day workshop on Planning Through Participative Management will be held at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, July 31-August 5. Information and application forms should be requested from the Graduate Department of Library and Information Sciences at BYU.

A workshop on Reaching the Adult will be held at Ferris State College, Big Rapids, Michigan, August 20-25, in cooperation with the Michigan Department of Education State Library Services. Included among the instructors will be Robert Cookingham, Deputy Director for the Monroe, Michigan, County Library and former Extension Librarian for the Pathfinder Federation of Libraries. Information and registration forms may be obtained from Elizabeth Lindsey, Michigan Department of Education, State Library Services, 735 East Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48913.